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REGISTRATION.

We have the highest regard for the gentlemen who annually gather at the meetings of the Planters' Labor and Supply Company, and we are convinced that they are sincere at least in promoting their own interests.

So far, however, we have been unable to see any practical results of these meetings which are to-day less attended than ever before.

The most interesting report to the country is the report of the labor committee. Vital questions are involved and a great deal more than making "reports" should be effected by the planters and others interested in the labor problem.

The following are the figures showing the number and nationality of the laborers employed by sugar and coffee planters:

	Men.	Wom.	Chil'n.	Total.
Hawaiians	1,591	15	0	1,606
Portuguese	2,046	206	326	2,578
Chinese	4,077	3	0	4,080
Japanese	10,872	969	0	11,841
Others	379	0	0	379

Total.....18,965 1,193 326 20,484

Of these laborers these are under contract:

	Men.	Wom.	Chil'n.	Total.
Hawaiians	594	0	0	594
Portuguese	439	49	0	488
Chinese	993	—	—	993
Japanese	6,675	684	0	7,359
Others	107	—	—	107

Total.....8,808 713 0 9,521

Not under contract:

	Men.	Wom.	Chil'n.	Total.
Hawaiians	997	15	0	1,012
Portuguese	1,607	157	326	2,090
Chinese	3,084	3	—	3,087
Japanese	4,197	305	—	4,502
Others	272	—	—	272

Total. 10,157 480 326 10,963

This figures show that, about 12,000 Japanese out of a total number of more than 22,000, are at work in the agricultural field. What the rest are doing the Planters' Association apparently does not know. 4000 Chinese, out of nearly 16,000 work on plantations, but nobody can explain what the balance of nearly 12,000 are doing.

Mr. Scott of Hilo, goes around with the belief that, the unemployed

Asiaties become professional gamblers. He may be right but we can hardly believe that all these 10,000 Japanese and 12,000 Chinese can find a prolific field for their gambling propensities.

The situation is very serious indeed. We are told that the planters must have more laborers. We are advised that efforts will be made to import more Portuguese, Chinese and Germans to work in the agricultural field. But we have not seen one sensible proposition in regard to utilizing the vast numbers of men suitable for plantation work and very much out of a job.

President Dole, who is supposed to be the wisest and best man in the country—and even we think that he is no fool—asks the question, "What are the unemployed Japanese doing?" "Why do they leave the plantations?" Well, if he doesn't know with \$12,000 a year of the public money we certainly do not see why the unfortunate planters to whom he puts the question and who each contribute a share of the said \$12,000 should furnish him with information.

The whole thing in a nutshell is this. The planters, labor commissions, special legislative committees, and other ornamental institutions know nothing about the doings and whereabouts of the 32,000 Asiatics who are not under the thumbs of the planters. There is only one way of finding out, and that is, as Mr. Swanzy correctly suggests, to adopt a general registration act. The figures presented by the labor committee of the Planters' Association speak more forcibly in favor of the general registration than all the arguments heretofore advanced.

The registration of all male residents of this country and a well enforced vagrancy act will help us to the solution of the labor question quicker and more satisfactorily than all the theories and statistics advanced by an idiotic labor commission. The planters must have laborers. The laborers are right here. Take them.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

Much space is spent in the secular journals of to-day in advertising the religious movements. If the writers took part in them they perhaps wouldn't be so keen to publish to the world that they depended for their support on regularly religiously inclined people.

W. R. Castle is once more to the front. And this time he is discouraging the small farmer, especially the American one, by telling him, "While Hawaii is a good place to live, there is no royal road to wealth and prosperity." And apparently there is no republican one either.

To show the idiocy of the criticisms of the even authorized globe trotter and reporter combined, it is only necessary to quote Poulteney Bigelow's remarks on British Guiana. He says in the New York Times in regard to the Victoria Regia water lily whose leaves float on the surface of the water:

"Each leaf seemed to me big enough to form the roof of a buggy, and a cool bit of shade indeed for a tropical wood nymph."

Yet she would have to drown herself first to do it. Then he goes on to say:

"In fact we must open our eyes to the fact that in all South America there is but one republic and that is British Guiana."

Goodness, gracious, has it come to this that monarchical institutions are to be styled Republican.

What are we to say about British and other claims on this government? Referring to the Behring sea claims Lord Salisbury wrote to the British Ambassador at Washing-

ton: The arguments you advance to support our claims have the entire approval and concurrence of the Government. The attempt made by Senator John T. Morgan of Alabama, chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, to dispute them seems largely founded on misapprehension, and the Government cannot doubt, when the facts are placed before the public of the United States, the liability of the United States to make compensation, which has never been denied by the Government, will generally be recognized, both in and outside of Congress." It seems to us the same arguments will hold for here.

He Inspects.

Colonel James Boyd was interviewed this afternoon in regard to the new homesteads on Maui. The colonel spoke very conservatively on the subject, and we were only able to gain from him that the homesteads at Kula are a success.

The roads and grading, says Mr. Boyd, have been a disgrace and a drawback to the small farmer. If everything was in the condition that it ought to be, the small farmer would be all right, and THE INDEPENDENT ought to go out of existence.

The inspection of Mr. Boyd shows however that the small farmers are a lot of fools. Mr. Boyd who is thoroughly imbued with the idea that the ruling powers "boss" everything is not willing to express himself too freely—we hope that he will be sent to Oiaa and especially to Paukapu, and we wonder if he will have the "brass" to "see us" on his return.

They Will Play.

Captain Long expected the Parker boys to come down from Hawaii, and then he would have been assured of victory. The boys didn't come and Captain Long knows now that he has to fight the other team without assistance of the "professionals."

The game will go on, however, and the boys selected will play a game which will be highly satisfactory to the backers of the noble sport. Come along on Thursday and see the boys handling the big ball.

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